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C. **REMARKS**

Reconsideration and allowance are requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

**Claim Amendments**

Please cancel claims 10-12 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

**Election Required Under 35 U.S.C. § 121**

The Examiner indicated that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species:

Species A, drawn to Figure 3;  
Species B, drawn to Figure 4, pressure sensor;  
Species C, drawn to Figure 5; and  
Species D, drawn to Figure 6.

In response, Applicants hereby elects Species A, drawn to Figure 3 and corresponding to claims 3, 5, 7, 9, 54, and 62-64. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional and/or continuation applications based on the present application.

Applicants have made a diligent effort to respond to the election requirement. Accordingly, consideration of the application and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any remaining concerns regarding this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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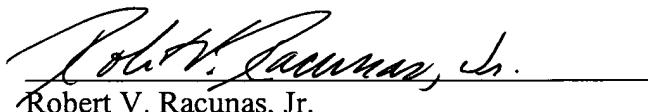
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D. **CONCLUSION**

Applicants submit this application is in condition for allowance and request favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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